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## Fire Inspection: A Spark Is Lit

At long last, something is being done about potential hazards to the health and welfare of non-campus students.

The Alpha Fire Company, starting Monday, is going to inspect State College buildings to see if they are fire hazards.

We hope we are not over optimistic in reading into this news an assumption that the Borough of State College, the University administration, and student government is finally showing an awareness of the often-ignored downtown student.

Fire inspection, however, is a start, not a finish. Health inspections of rented rooms—and of downtown restaurants—is a logical second step.

We will be shocked if the firemen report no hazards to safety. Any student who has looked for a room in downtown residences knows that hazards do exist.

The inspection itself will be useless, obviously, unless it is followed through with action. Until fire hazards are no longer in existence in State College houses, the inspection will not be a success.

The State College Board of Health might well follow the lead of the fire company and inspect living units downtown for adequate lighting, wiring, windows, beds, ventilation, bathroom facilities, and cleanliness. Crowded conditions, too, should be eliminated.

The plight of the downtown student is not a handsome one. His treatment appears to have been that of the black sheep in the University family. But the black sheep might become the skeleton in the closet if he continues to be ignored.

Some credit can go to student government, particularly the 1955 Student Encampment

Workshop on Student-Town Relations, and to Town Independent Men, the Association of Independent Men's unit which represents the off-campus male students.

Ironically, it is the student who lives downtown who traditionally plays the smallest role in student government. If the inspection is successful, downtown students might well ponder what other benefits may be derived from exercising their voice in student government.

Borough Council also showed respect for students in approving the recommendations of Town Independent Men which originated the inspection plans. We cannot help but feel, however, that Borough Council had a responsibility to act a long time ago on this matter.

It should have had a standard procedure for regular inspection of homes in State College. We hope that such machinery will be another outgrowth of the current inspection.

The University, too, has a responsibility to the downtown student. Concern by the University with conditions in town sometimes steps on some State College toes. But students who live in town cannot justifiably be ignored by the University in the name of good public relations with the townspeople.

Members of the Alpha Fire Company deserve most of the credit for the inspection. These men are giving up time to serve without pay in the public interest.

After the inspection is completed, we hope the four bodies which brought it about—the University administration, the Borough officials, the student leaders, and the students who live in town—will not resume their lethargy of old.

Much remains to be done.

—The Editor

## 'Double Jeopardy:' Is It Just?

Several student judicial groups have been established at the University to recommend disciplinary action when students "get in trouble." These groups are inadvertently doing an injustice to many of those students upon whom they are asked to pass judgment.

This is true in the sense that most of the students who appear before these groups have already paid in quite sufficient measure for the act of which they were found guilty.

The tag phrase "double jeopardy" is often attached to incidents of this type by those involved and by those who hear of them. Such a designation may be correct or incorrect, depending upon an individual's point of view.

It is correct, in essence, since a hearing by one of these groups represents the second time which a student is asked to answer for his offense. It is incorrect in the technical sense that the student is being tried the second time under the catch-all phrase, "conduct detrimental to the good name of the University."

There are many justifications, in the eyes of the University, for a student to appear before one of the disciplinary groups after already having paid one penalty. Most of these are based upon the premise that a student is a citizen of both the University and of the Borough, and, therefore, subject to the jurisdiction of both.

Another theory University officials may have in mind is that adequate use of discipline of the correct type is in itself educational.

Officials also may feel that downtown enforcement is based strictly upon what the stu-

dent does and the attendant repercussions, while a University group will have the time and interest to delve more deeply into motives and causes of such behavior, and benefit the student in that way.

However valid this reasoning may appear, it can hardly justify further persecuting a student who has already, in the eyes of the law of the community, paid in full for his misdeed.

Tribunal or Judicial cases often result in unnecessary and damaging publicity to the student involved. But if such cases are heard, they are public domain, and it is the duty of a newspaper to report them, accurately and completely.

This is necessary because justice has never been known to function properly at length without the focus of the eyes of public opinion upon it's processes. The newspaper represents the public and reports to it.

One possible solution to the problem might be for University officials to establish an understanding with Borough officials by virtue of which they would decide mutually, when a student becomes involved in difficulty, under whose jurisdiction the offense should fall.

A joint committee made up of University and Borough officials, and perhaps some students, might be established for this purpose.

The situation as it now exists is generally undesirable. It is of sufficient importance to warrant study and consideration of any possible suggestions for improvement which may be forthcoming.

—Al Klimcke

## Safety Valve

### Television Tears

TO THE EDITOR: I have untiringly and unrelentingly avoided TV sections, but today!—today a most dastardly occurrence. Arriving at a non-TV political science course, the class was cheerfully informed:

You are in a TV section (you didn't know it—we snuck up on you).

It is most unfair to force students to take a course by TV—the only other alternative being to drop the course.

There is plenty of room in 10 Sparks for everybody and the prof has a nice little mike so everybody can hear just fine. But the prof is shuttled off to a room by himself and the class to various other rooms to enjoy the "benefits" of television and participate in a fine and noble experiment which they wanted nothing to do with in the first place.

Please, if we want to look at TV, we can

## Gazette

Today  
DAILY COLLEGIAN BUSINESS STAFF, 2 p.m., 108 Willard

Tomorrow  
ALPHA DELTA SIGMA, 7:30 p.m., Delta Chi  
FILM, 7:15 p.m., Hillel  
JEWISH FOLK DANCE GROUP, 2 p.m. for beginners, 3 p.m. for advanced, Hillel  
LION PARTY CLIQUE MEETING, 7 p.m., 121 Sparks  
LOX AND BAGEL BRUNCH, 11 a.m., Hillel  
LUTHERAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION, FILMS, 6:30 p.m., Lutheran Student Association  
University Hospital

David Abernethy, David Bamford, Bruce Beattie Joanne Bedenk, Gordon Connors, Mary Grove, Patricia Hile, Louanne Kann, John Maher, Lee Nearing, William Nye, Au Pal, Suzanne Pink, Karl Schwenzfeier, John Springer, Glen Thierwechter, Sandra Trexler, and Terry Woodvine.

go home. Or why not just print up the professors' lectures and distribute them. Wouldn't that be a stupendous idea?

Down with TV sections!

—Elizabeth Trend

### 'The Original Sin' To Be Shown Tonight

The German language film, "Der Apfel ist ab," or "The Original Sin," with English sub-titles, will be presented at 7:30 p.m. tonight in the Mineral Sciences auditorium.

The movie, sponsored by the German department, will also be shown at 3 p.m. tomorrow in 121 Sparks. Both showings are open to the public free of charge.

### Gates Named to Fill Home Economics Post

Ruth E. Gates of Whittier College, Whittier, Calif., has been appointed instructor in clothing and textiles.

After receiving her bachelor of science degree from the University of Nebraska and her master's degree from Kansas State College, Miss Gates worked for two years with the Bureau of Human Nutrition and Home Economics in Washington.

### Parcell Oil Painting Placed in Waring Hall

An oil painting by Malcolm Parcell, entitled, "Something About Fall," has been presented to the University by an anonymous donor.

The painting, which depicts a colorful autumn scene with a bench in the foreground, has been placed in Waring Hall.

## Little Man on Campus

By Bibler



"Say, those were pretty tough 'first-week' assignments, huh?"

### Book Review

## 'Mr. Hamish Gleave'

By DAVID R. MACKEY

If it were possible for one to be objective, some of today's most fascinating literature would be summed up in *Mr. Hamish Gleave*, a new novel by Richard Llewellyn, which has just been published by Doubleday. *Mr. Hamish Gleave* is the story of a British foreign officer who defects to the communists. It is based presumably on several recent happenings in the news, the most important perhaps, that of the Burgess-MacClean case.

Hamish Gleave is an official in the British foreign office. His position is an important one, but his position in life is that of a resentful member of the squeezed-in middle class. As a diplomatic official, he deals in lives and fortunes and the futures of countries. After hours, he worries about sending his children to school and the mortgage on the house. It is this flaw in Mr. Gleave's character—that he resents the anomaly between his official and his personal life—which leads to his downfall and the ultimate destruction of his integrity.

Events happen swiftly in this book. We follow Mr. Gleave in his peripatetic wanderings around Europe and England for a relatively short time. During this time we are almost astonished that such a great change can come over our hero and cause him to throw over the training of many years and go over to the other side.

One has the feeling that the author is writing much fact into this fiction, particularly in the group of remarkable characters who consciously and unconsciously pave the way for Mr. Gleave's downfall. We have, of course, the sensuous woman of the world who becomes Gleave's mistress, a pair of ostensibly innocent Hungarian cultural attaches who appeal to his innate concern for humanity, and a powerful and brilliant Soviet spy who persuades him through the force of intellect that he is doing the right thing to defect.

Coupled with these characters are some extremely despicable British subjects: the foreign ministers, a product of the "party," his under-secretary, who is a "yes-man," and other indigenous British public servants who, taken together, present a thoroughly reprehensible group.

For many years we have heard paeans of praise for the British foreign officers and the British foreign service. If the characters we meet in *Mr. Hamish Gleave* are anywhere near the truth, we have indeed been hoodwinked. One can but hope that the author has picked out the black sheep for his book.

The reader will find in *Mr. Hamish Gleave* a book filled with witticisms of a highest order. Writing of people to whom the polished work and phrase is

second nature, the author himself uses such diction to heighten the story.

Some portions will be very difficult for American readers, for the book is written in the modern British idiom, and we are simply not acquainted with some of the expressions used. To summarize, *Mr. Hamish Gleave* is an important book, hard to read, and sometimes abstruse. I have the feeling that it's overly sentimental in its treatment of the majority of weak-willed characters who inhabit the pages in such profusion. I also have a feeling that the author is much too sympathetic with his main characters. Be that as it may, the reader will find a considerable amount to think about in the realm of loyalty to a country in the world today.

## Summer Jobs In Ag Ec, Stat, Sciences Open

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has announced a number of summer jobs for college students in the fields of agricultural economics, statistics, and biological and plant sciences.

Applications for the summer positions should be filled out and returned to the Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C., by Feb. 15. Application blanks may be picked up at the local post office, or from Kenneth H. Meyers, agricultural economist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, in 2D Weaver.

These positions are with the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C., and in various branches throughout the United States.

Graduating seniors are not eligible for these summer positions.

### Collegian Business Staff

The Daily Collegian Business staff will meet at 2 p.m. Sunday in 108 Willard.

## This Weekend On WDFM

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7:15	Sign On
7:20	News and Sports
7:30	Musical Marathon
8:00	HiFi Open House
10:35	Sign Off
Tomorrow	
7:25	Sign On
7:30	Third Program
10:35	Sign Off
Monday	
7:15	Sign On
7:20	News and Sports
7:30	Music My Friend
8:15	As You Believe
8:30	Showcase
9:00	Man on the Mall
9:15	News
9:30	Symphonic Notebook
10:35	Sign Off